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THE HEADQUARTERS REFERENDUM.

The referendum which has been called for on the location of the national party headquarters is now being taken and will close May 1. The ballots prepared by the national secretary are now being sent to the branches and locals through the state secretaries, only those having members paying national dues, of course, receiving them. The referendum is an important one and should receive careful consideration by those entitled to vote.

Spaces are provided on the ballots for the votes of the branches on two different resolutions, but the members will do well to confine themselves to the first one, and to ignore the second. The vote on the first resolution, if the vote is an affirmative one, will cover all the necessary ground. The first proposition of resolution 1 calls for the location of the national headquarters at Chicago. The second provides that the local quorum shall consist of national committee men from Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Iowa and Kentucky. The third rejects all acts of the national committee in conflict with the foregoing.

The action of the St. Louis meeting in sending the headquarters to Omaha has met with quite general disapproval, as that territory is in no sense a center of Socialist activity, and besides being away from the industrial territory of the country where Socialism naturally has its strength, it is especially unacceptable from a geographical standpoint, now that a national campaign is impending. Chicago has been called the Paris of America. It is the economic storm center of the United States, and is in many ways the most acceptable location for a national headquarters. And it is in the heart of the trade union movement of the country, which is an important point.

There is an especial advantage in having the headquarters in a populous part of the country, under the plan contained in the first referendum resolution. That is, the local quorum will not be made up of fellow-townsmen and therefore subject to possible local jealousies and divisions, but will consist of the regular national committeemen from contiguous states. Had we had the framing of the

request for the referendum we would have made Michigan one of the states represented in the quorum, as a matter of geographical fairness, but this is a minor point and can be rectified at some time in the future, probably.

Our prediction that Boyce's Weekly, "devoted to all who work," was really devoted to the interests of those who "work" the workers, is being speedily verified. One of the most daring frauds on labor ever conceived by the misrepresentatives of labor at Washington is the eight-hour bill now before Congress. It provides that government contractors shall only put in eight hours a day on government work. Put in practice, if it becomes a law, the Carnegie steel works, for instance, would do eight hours' work on government jobs, and finish out the other two or four hours daily on other work. Wouldn't they? That's exactly what the Allies works of this city is doing today with some eight-hour jobs for Eastern cities! So it is clear that the eight-hour bill is a fraud and an insult to labor. Yet now comes James Duncan, first vice president of the American Federation of Labor, one of the editors of Boyce's Labor Department, and with big type and portrait, glories in the eight-hour bill, to the length of a column, and wants the working class to see the thing through his glasses. The old game of fool the workers is still being played, with papers "devoted to all who work" to do the playing in.

The great clatter about fixing the Western coal conspirators so they would know what was what has gone up like many another capitalistic humbug. "THE CHICAGO COURT ORDERED THE JURY TO BRING IN A VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY." "The state has no jurisdiction," said Judge Chetlain. Fact is, a coal conspiracy is no conspiracy at all under the prevailing capitalist morality. Anything that makes for profits, big or little, is legitimate. Now that that delusion is exploded, the capitalist papers will hunt up some other false hope of relief from oppression to fool the gullible public with. They know how easy it is. The people are like little children—they forget so easy!—Some of them!

The effort to get a united front against Social Democracy in the coming election in Germany does not seem to meet with much success. The general election will take place in June. The word was sent out recently that the Center, or church party, and all the other bourgeois parties had an understanding and would make a combined fight against the Socialists, but it appears that this is easier said than done. The government—that is, the Kaiser—will have hard work to keep his combination in line, as the agrarian disaffection over the tariff is still keen, and, in fact, as the Hamburger Nachrichten (the organ of militarism) says: "The impression derived from the views pouring in from all sides is one of absolute chaos." The non-Socialist parties distrust each other and the only ones that keep their heads and "sow wood" are the Social Democrats. Emperor William has thrown the force of his personality into the scales and the Socialists triumphantly proclaim that every speech he makes against Social Democracy wins them large numbers of votes.

The most impudent bill of all those before the Wisconsin Legislature is one put in by the Humane Society asking for \$5000 annually. Instead of giving out thousands of the people's dollars to this private institution, the state ought to revoke the public police powers that it has granted to it. For what right has the state to permit a private society, and especially one that has never been above suspicion, to have special police rights over the public? The public has no control over it and besides, its superintendent, I. D. Whitehead, is a man in whom the people have no confidence, especially the working class, who regard him as a monster.

In passing resolutions denunciatory of Judge Adams and his class injunction to prevent Wabash railway men from striking the Milwaukee Federated Trades Council last week made use of this language: "Resolved, that since no nation in which the people are totally disarmed can in the end remain a free nation, therefore we urge all liberty loving citizens and especially union men to remember and obey article 2 of the Constitution of the United States, which reads as follows: 'The right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.'"

The anthracite strike fiasco! What else? Had there been broad far-seeing leadership this nation over this would have been in possession of its coal supply—as it should be. The people were ready, but the Mitchell-Roosevelt combination was too strong, with the grinning coal barons behind the scenes! And now Mitchell is looking for comfort in a decision of a hybrid commission, which given the miners a slight apparent advantage, but leaves them to the mercy of the truck stores! It is simply ghastly.

The decision of the coal commission is a mighty small thing for America to cower over. The poor miners are back at their dehumanizing tasks, wearing their lives out for others. Their children are still in the factories being coined into wealth for the American royalty to sport upon, and the pluck-me stores are left untouched, and will be more to mark up prices so as to get back the few extra pennies the miners may be able to earn. Ain't it great!

We shall begin next week the publication of a series of specially contributed papers on Socialism's notable dead in America, recalling some of the faces that have dropped back in the ranks at the hands of the grim reaper. They will be notable and of historical value. Next week Kate Richards O'Hare will write of Lucile Hoving, and in a succeeding issue Seymour Stedman will tell of Jesse Cox. Papers on Paul Grottkan, Laurence Gronlund, Edward Bellamy and others will follow.

We wish to call attention to the interesting fact that all the contributors to this week's Herald, with but one exception, have been former followers of Henry George. From this you can see the direction in which things are moving. There are a lot of single taxers who try

I NOW THINGS ARE GETTING WARM!

In a special dispatch from Washington to the Haverhill Gazette of recent date, the following significant scheme was made public:

The Republican national committee, through its chairman, Senator Hanna, yesterday took up the question of preventing the further spread of Socialism, with Massachusetts manufacturer, who came on here for the purpose of explaining the features of a plan which has been devised by certain well known men of character and standing in their community.

The scheme is said to be an educational movement against Socialism; not an anti-election programme, but a continual bombardment of its doctrines and teachings from one year's end to another, thus preventing it from being purely a political idea, sprung within a few weeks of an election.

Hanna takes kindly to the programme. Moody, whose home city of Haverhill has been one of the strongholds of Socialism for several years, is said to approve it and has volunteered to talk about it with Postmaster General Payne, with whom he is associated in the cabinet. Payne is vice chairman of the Republican national committee and his home is Milwaukee, where the SOCIAL DEMOCRATS HAVE MADE WONDERFUL PROGRESS DURING THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

The fact is that the growth of the Socialist movement in Massachusetts and other enlightened communities has rather alarmed the Republican leaders, who are anxious to head it off.

Senator Spooner of Wisconsin sanctions the plan. In Milwaukee alone the Social Democrats cast 15,000 votes at the last election, and everyone knows that in Massachusetts the increase last year was something like 200 per cent., in some measure, probably, due to the coal strike and attendant evils.

An general principle, however, the Socialist vote has gained rapidly all over the country. Locally it opponents have apparently been unable to combat it, and it is now proposed to undertake the task under the auspices of the Republican national committee.

The gentlemen who are fathering the plan are not cranks. They are men of repute, and if their names were given they would be instantly recognized as leading business men and Republicans of their respective cities.

They propose to have a certain number of well-informed gentlemen who have made a deep study of Socialism, and who claim to be able to expose its fallacies and unsound doctrines, travel about the country, and in public speeches, printed literature and other effective means meet the arguments of the other side.

This will require the expenditure of some money—perhaps \$50,000, to begin with. The plan is to get the movement under way at once, so that its benefits will be felt in a substantial way in the presidential election next year, and continue the educational campaign from then on.

Friends of the idea say that free silver was knocked out in 1896 by educational methods, and that there is no reason why similar means employed against Socialism will not be equally effective in 1904.

The gentlemen now in Washington on this matter argue that Socialism is nothing but confusion, pure and simple, and that they say this, if properly first in hand, will be sure to sound THE DEATH KNEEL OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY IN AMERICA."—Haverhill Gazette.

We feel highly honored, of course, that the Social Democracy of Wisconsin, and especially Milwaukee, as well as Massachusetts, has drawn upon itself the attention of the capitalist class of America in such a high degree. We are proud that together with the comrades of Massachusetts we are destined to concentrate upon ourselves the first serious fire of the enemy.

The great scheme of the enemy to kill us off by education is certainly laughable. For it is just through education that our party has become great. Socialism is the child of capitalism and its legal heir. The more the capitalist class tries to explain the clearer it becomes that capitalism is every day confiscating the bulk of the wealth produced by society, that is, by the working class, industrial or rural. The great mass of the people, the great majority of the voters have therefore nothing to fear from the "confiscation" that is cannily charged by the capitalist leaders, but everything to hope for.

If now the capitalists set up a campaign of "learned" and glib agitators and "spellsingers" to make Socialism the leading topic of thought, they will set people thinking at a fine rate. Every small farmer and small business man will say the following: The great machines and the modern means of production are necessary and must not be destroyed, since we would then sink back into the dark ages. But so long as they are private property they can only remain in the individual possession of the modern lords and masters of society. It is clear that they will use that power more and more to take away the property of the people. The trusts and monopolies become more powerful every day, while for an ever increasing majority of the people it becomes more and more impossible to possess property. Since so many millions of citizens are dispossessed every day, WHAT REMAINS THEREFORE BUT TO CHANGE THE SYSTEM? It is a duty of self-preservation, same as 100 years ago it was the pressing duty to protect the individual in the possession of the property he had produced—just so it is today the duty of the voters to protect the producing class as a whole in the possession of the property it has produced.

Since the producing class has the preponderance of votes, we are not one moment anxious about the result! On the other hand we can but thank Messrs. Hanna, Payne, Spooner and Moody that they will now so vigorously assist us in bringing this great question to the consciousness of the people.

to make themselves think they are individualists, yet who groan and fume every day at the recurring crimes of individualism. It is some time they "took a tumble to themselves."

The current issue of The Comrade contains a very valuable and interesting article on Kuri Marx's residence in London, giving views of the houses he occupied. It is very fortunate that these views have been taken and this information thus preserved. We have an article from the pen of The Comrade's editor, John Spargo, which will appear next week.

For the man who is an individualist simply because Henry George claimed to be, we have pity indeed. For single tax is a sort of Socialism—a STATE Socialism!

NOTES BY THE WAY.

The Kentucky Free Lance, which pretends to be terribly radical, looms threat in one column and the non-union Conkey publication in another.

"Fresh Air Tablets" is a new discovery of science. The Humane Society ought to supply all factory workers with a pocket full.

Forty Bibles a minute is said to be the rate the Oxford University press in England, and orders for 100,000 copies are not uncommon. Bibles are also being turned out by other houses with commercial rapidity and volume. And yet the business world is getting farther away from the ideals of the Nazarene every day!

Socialism at Single Tax Colony.

The organization of a Socialist club at Fairhope prompts us to call attention to the fact that one of the distinguishing features of Fairhope is its liberality. No colony was ever organized, so far as we know, that opened its doors so wide. Voting membership, it is true, is sought to be confined to those who have a thorough understanding of its principles, but no such understanding is required to become an occupant of colony land and enjoy all the economic advantages of the association. The fundamental law upon which the single tax and Fairhope is founded is the law of equal freedom. While therefore, the Courier regrets that our Socialist friends cannot see that what the world needs is not the democratic organization of industry, an Socialism demands, but simply the removal of the legislative obstructions to the enjoyment of that equal freedom, which is the inherent right of all men, we are glad that Fairhope was conceived in a broad spirit that there is room in it, not only for single taxers, but for Socialists and all shades of reformers and non-reformers. We know that there is among our friends of the new Socialist club, no spirit of opposition to Fairhope nor desire to swerve our association from its well defined policy.—Fairhope (Fairhope Colony) Courier.

A Pertinent Comment.

John Graham Brooks, in his new book, "Social Unrest," remarks: "I have seen an extremely decorous group of persons listening unshocked to the story of a corporation which had for years systematically debauched the local legislature, and with cool deliberation brought small, independent firms to ruin. It was said, 'Oh, but the corporations must do it to avoid blackmail; and an for ruining other people's business, that is the only law of progress.' When this same company heard an architect tell of the singling of a nonunion man, there was an instant spasm of moral exasperation."

Of a piece with this are discourses against Socialism and silence about the trusts and coal barons.—Catholic Citizen.

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THE HERALD FORUM.

Open Letter to W. E. Klapetsky.

Sir: There is a growing suspicion among the more intelligent portion of the rank and file of A. F. of L. that there is an organization, or, at least, a well defined understanding among certain labor leaders in the A. F. of L., to prevent organized labor from becoming effective politically, in opposition to the efforts of the old parties for this service they expect to be rewarded by the exploiters of labor in the same manner as T. V. Powderly, Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden, Immigration Commissioner Sargent and the rest of their ilk.

The fact that the mere mention of Socialism to any of those who train with the Hanna-Gompers-Cleveland faction, provokes a violent attack, and that the FICS-INT-UNION—rabies and subjects one to a torrent of abuse from these Gompersian satellites, lends color to this suspicion.

There is no trade or profession that affords those engaged in it an equal opportunity to disseminate and discuss ideas, or distribute literature where it will do the most effective work, than the barber's trade does. There are few trades that afford so many opportunities for reading and becoming conversant with the political phase of the labor question (did est) Socialism, that the barber trade presents. But, alas, they give it less attention than perhaps any other trade. This anomalous condition is doubtless due to the fact that the editor of the Barber's Journal is woefully ignorant of the subject, or, has an ulterior motive in maintaining it an untouchable from the columns of the Barber's Journal. "He thinks you protest too much" when you feel called upon to employ such language as the following:

"There are others of that same stripe who we call traitor to the labor movement and your letter places me in a position to watch carefully No. 275 Sharon, Pa., that the interest of our craft shall not be jeopardized by a day dreamer and a rain-bow chaser such as is the entire history of those you have named and whom you have placed on a pedestal as your god."

In regard to the persons mentioned, they are more able to defend themselves than I am to defend them; in fact they need no defense. Your accusation and their whole history in the labor movement is sufficient. In regard to myself, I hereby challenge you to discuss the question of Socialism with me through the columns of the Barber's Journal, which is my medium as well as yours, and substantiate if you can the accusation that I am "a day dreamer and a rain-bow chaser" because I am an advocate of Socialism, or by your refusal admit that you are a "blind leader of the blind" and dare not incur the wrath of the Hanna-Gompers-Cleveland faction in the A. F. of L. by opening the columns of the Barber's Journal to a discussion of the principles of Socialism.

J. A. Sturgis.

123 West State street, Sharon, Pa.

*Secretary-treasurer, Journeymen Barber's International Union, and Editor of Barber's Journal.

Government by Federal Judges.

New York City, March 3.—Editor Social Democracy: Another dread Scott decision; another far-reaching injunction; another blow at the Declaration of Independence and the constitutional rights and liberties of the American working man, and all Americans who are not traitors—traitors to American institutions.

If Judge Adams of St. Louis, who is asked the injunction forbidding the men who work on the Wabash railroad from striking or quitting work if they agree to another far-reaching injunction, or any other age who sets on the federal court bench and violates the constitution and laws of the United States that he swore to enforce and they realize what he has done; then what follows? Do all born or naturalized Americans who have the right to vote realize what that injunction means? If that is law there is our much boasted liberties, and the institutions that our forefathers fought for barefooted and hungry; yea, and died for on the battle field, while their wives and children lived as best they could on roots and herbs and such things as they could get; while taking care of the cabins they called their homes; and for which their husband and father was dying of wounds and hunger on the battle field.

There is only one way for American working men of today to prove themselves worthy of such ancestors, or to enjoy the fruits of the labors of such noble pioneers as our American Revolutionists were.

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NOTES FROM YANKEE-LAND.

The Ohio state convention will be held at Columbus May 30.
The Michigan Socialists have just taken in a new batch of ministers.
Waukegan (Ill.) Socialists have launched a municipal ticket with Comrade Henry L. Dowst for mayor.
The Association of Silk Weavers in convention at Paterson, N. J., last week endorsed Socialism.
Comrade N. P. Geiger has been chosen organizer for Cleveland and will give all his time to the work.
The vote in Hibbing, Minn., jumped from 2 at the last election to 55 at the election March 10. This was the result of organization.

A municipal ticket has been put up at Birmingham, Ala., for the first time, with Comrade C. W. Love for mayor. A state organization will be perfected.
The Socialist vote in the United States now numbers one-third of a million—in Pennsylvania 25,000, in Massachusetts 40,000.

By a new official ruling the party in Ohio will have to sanction the placing of party tickets in the field at various points before they will be lawful.

Comrade M. W. Wilkins, editor of the California Socialist, will tour California, Oregon, Washington and other Western states under the auspices of the national headquarters.

The S. L. P. is charged with presenting fraudulent petitions and will be refused a place on the ballot at Cincinnati, it is said. This is not a new offense, as is pretty well known in Milwaukee.

The Socialists at Muscatine, Ia., polled 137 votes. The ward candidates ran as follows: F. M. Zetter, First ward, 26; A. G. Othmer, Second ward, 26; C. R. Slaughter, Third ward, 42; J. C. Kent, Fourth ward, 23.

The Twenty-second ward branch, Milwaukee, will hold a mass meeting April 3 at 8 p. m. at Reichert's hall, Thirty-fifth street and North avenue. An address will be made by Comrade W. R. Gaylord on "Socialism and Religion," and a good German speaker will also speak.

Two weeks ago the Socialist party swept Amesbury, Mass. The first act of the victors when they took office was to fire the chief of police and appoint a member of the Carriage-makers' Union to fill the vacancy. The carriage-makers are waging a big strike and it is quite likely that no more scabs will be brought to Amesbury.

The Journal that will be issued for the New York Daily Globe fair, will have a

notable table of contents, with special contributions by Comrades Herron, Brown, Benesi, Brown, Lee and others. The journal will be sold for 10 cents and can be ordered through the Comrade office, 11 Cooper square, New York.

An effort is being made to arrange a tour through Wisconsin in May for Comrade George D. Herron. Comrades in the strongholds of the state who would like to take advantage of this unusual opportunity will do well to correspond with the state secretary, as the terms are very advantageous, the main purpose being to put him into the places where he will do the movement the greatest good.

Comrades in Utah have very creditably started a fund for a tablet over the grave of the late Lucie Hoving, one of the truest workers the Socialist movement ever developed in the West. Anyone wishing to add his or her mite may contribute same through this office and we will receipt for same in the Herald and forward the money. Next week we shall print an appreciation of Lucie Hoving, written by Comrade Kate O'Hare of Wiltshire's Magazine, with portrait.

Wisconsin Notes.

The city campaigns over the state are keeping the comrades in Janesville, Koshong, Sheboygan, Racine and Appleton busy just now. Neenah and Two Rivers are also in line with their usual bustle in the spring campaign.

At Janesville the comrades write that "the campaign is in full bloom. Comrade Seymour Stedman is to be there on April 4 and State Organizer Gaylord on Monday, the 6th. Janesville has been doing well this winter. Comrade Thompson was there twice and Organizer Gaylord was given an opportunity to address the Union Labor Mass Convention of the city early in March. They have multiplied their membership several times during the last few months. This latter has come from the organization of new ward branches.

Racine has done very well within the last three months. Comrade Thompson's meeting was the signal for an advance all along the line there. First came the organization of the new branch, then the putting up of the city ticket this spring, with a well attended meeting addressed by Comrade Berger, and now plans are being made and carried out for a red-hot campaign. The state organizer will also be there before the circus is through.

Port Washington feels so good over the Thompson meetings that it wants to keep the hall a-rolling and has asked for the

state organizer, who is to speak there on the 5th of April. This is a good field, and while the comrades have the common experience of financial poverty they are rich in that enthusiasm and confidence in the cause that is bound to bring success in the end.

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Missouri, March 15.

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Minneapolis, March 22.

Dear Herald: Just think of it, that we Socialists should be charged by ignorant people with wasting the rich to divide up with the poor! We Socialists don't want the products of any one else's labor, but we do want the products of our own labor. We are exactly the ones who do not want to divide." We don't want to divide up.

We have divided up so much and so long with the idle rich that we have nothing left. We want to stop the dividing up business, and give every man the products of his own labor. John Geis.

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